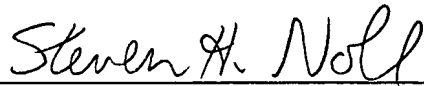


**REMARKS**

The present amendment makes editorial changes to the specification, drawings, claims and Abstract in order to conform to United States Patent Practice. Additionally, the Applicants include herewith a copy of the new  
5 Abstract on a separate page. None of the changes in the claims is intended as a surrender of any of the subject matter within the scope of the original claim language since, as noted above, all of these changes have been made solely to bring the claims into conformity with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

10 Early consideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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